

USFS – Sierra National Forest

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Please note: If multiple proposed projects are requesting funding for the same deliverable, and multiple projects are successful, only one project will receive funding for the deliverable.

General Evaluation Criteria

- #1a – The dates should match the reference document in 1c.
- #8d – The narrative does not support 8b. Applicant may want to verify and provide further details.

Ground Operations

G09-02-17-G01

Project Description

- No comment.

Project Cost Estimate

- Staff – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appear excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need.
- Materials, Supplies – Promotional material are not an eligible cost. Applicant may want to verify and justify need.
- Equipment Use Expense – Costs appear excessive. Applicant may want to verify and justify need.
- Indirect costs – The total amount requested for indirect costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant request.

Evaluation Criteria

- #4 – The narrative does not support response for “Publicly noticed meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project”. The applicant may want to provide further details.
- #5 - The narrative does not support responses. The applicant may want to provide further details.
- #6 – The narrative does not support response of “Protecting cultural site(s)”. Applicant may want to provide further details.

Restoration – Dusy Ershim	G09-02-17-R01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Equipment Use Expense, vehicle mileage and maintenance – The rate listed appears high. Costs associated with Equipment acquired with Grantee’s funds and used for an OHV Project shall be charged on a use basis in accordance with the Applicant’s local fair market rental rates but shall never exceed the Grantee’s actual costs. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #2 – Applicant may want to verify all special-status species are included in the narrative. #3 – The reference document is not listed. The applicant needs to identify the reference document. #8 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. #9 – The project does not include Scientific and Cultural Studies. There should be no response to this question. 	

Restoration – East of Dinkey Creek	G09-02-17-R02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Indirect costs – The total amount requested for indirect costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant request. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #5 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. #8 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. #9 – The project does not include Scientific and Cultural Studies. There should be no response to this question. 	

Planning – Add Roads, Trails and Areas	G09-02-17-P02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Indirect costs – The total amount requested for indirect costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant request. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #2 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. #5 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. 	

Planning – Research (Yosemite Toad)	G09-02-17-P03
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The activities appear to be a Scientific and Cultural Study. This type of activity falls under the Restoration category. Applicant may want to verify. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	

Planning – White Bark Vista Parking	G09-02-17-P04
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Materials/Supplies – cost for subsistence does not appear directly related to the project. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Equipment Use Expense, vehicle mileage and maintenance – The rate listed appears high. Costs associated with Equipment acquired with Grantee's funds 	

and used for an OHV Project shall be charged on a use basis in accordance with the Applicant's local fair market rental rates but shall never exceed the Grantee's actual costs.
Evaluation Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #3 – The selection – Other (interpretive site) does not appear to be a non-motorized recreation. • #4 – The narrative does not support response for “Publicly noticed meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project”. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #6 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details.

Planning – Red Mountain Parking	G09-02-17-P05
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. • Materials/Supplies – cost for subsistence does not appear directly related to the project. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. • Equipment Use Expense, vehicle mileage and maintenance – The rate listed appears high. Costs associated with Equipment acquired with Grantee's funds and used for an OHV Project shall be charged on a use basis in accordance with the Applicant's local fair market rental rates but shall never exceed the Grantee's actual costs. • Indirect costs – The total amount requested for indirect costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant request. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #2 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #4 – The narrative does not support response for “Publicly noticed meeting(s) with the general public to discuss Project”. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #6 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. 	

Planning – Dusy Ershim	G09-02-17-P06
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The activities appear to be planning activities for Restoration. This type of activity falls under the Restoration category. Applicant may want to verify. 	

Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	

Planning – OHV Use Areas	G09-02-17-P07
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Equipment Use Expense, vehicle mileage and maintenance – The rate listed appears high. Costs associated with Equipment acquired with Grantee's funds and used for an OHV Project shall be charged on a use basis in accordance with the Applicant's local fair market rental rates but shall never exceed the Grantee's actual costs. Indirect costs – The total amount requested for indirect costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant request. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #4 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. #6 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. 	

Development – Lone Sequoia	G09-02-17-D01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No comment. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Staff – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Contracts – costs do not appear directly related to the project and/or appear excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Equipment Use Expense – The rate listed appears high. Costs associated with Equipment acquired with Grantee's funds and used for an OHV Project shall be charged on a use basis in accordance with the Applicant's local fair market rental 	

<p>rates but shall never exceed the Grantee's actual costs.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Indirect costs – The total amount requested for indirect costs cannot exceed 10% of the grant request.
Evaluation Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #3 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #5 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #6 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #9 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #10 – The narrative does not support response. The applicant may want to provide further details. • #13 – The narrative does not support response for “Re-routes to divert trails away from Riparian/Wetlands areas”. The applicant may want to provide further details.

Education and Safety – Land Ethics	G09-04-17-S01
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A – Statement of Activities – “Awards” are not eligible for reimbursement. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Staff – Other: Front Desk Personnel – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. • Other – Volunteer: Reimbursement – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • #4 – The narrative does not support the responses. Applicant may want to provide further details. • #7 – The narrative does not support the responses. Applicant may want to provide further details. • #10 – The narrative does not support the responses to “Internet messaging/CD’s”, “Tool Kits” and “Signage”. Applicant may want to provide further details. 	

Education and Safety – High Sierra	G09-04-17-S02
Project Description	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The activities appear to only be the purchase of equipment. Equipment can only be bought as part of a comprehensive project. Applicant may want to clarify activities under this Safety project. 	
Project Cost Estimate	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Materials/Supplies – Costs do not appear to be directly related to the project and/or appears excessive. Applicant may want to clarify and/or justify need. Equipment Use Expenses – The rate listed appears high. Costs associated with Equipment acquired with Grantee’s funds and used for an OHV Project shall be charged on a use basis in accordance with the Applicant’s local fair market rental rates but shall never exceed the Grantee’s actual costs. 	
Evaluation Criteria	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> #2 – Applicant is not a first time applicant. #4 – The narrative does not support the responses. Applicant may want to provide the names of the organizations that will partner with the applicant for this project. 	